

years until his retirement from public office. In addition to his years in public service, Mr. Thompson was chairman of voter registration for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and was an active member of the American Legion, a member and former president of the Ambassadors Club, an elder of St. Peter's Presbyterian Church and a former president of the Men of the Church.

He was granted an honorary doctorate in government from the University of Houston and was a dedicated public servant. He loved and was particularly proud of his Stop Six community. Through all of his grand pursuits, nothing ranked above the love he had for his family.

Today, I would like to recognize and celebrate Garfield W. Thompson's life. It was an honor to represent him in Washington. He was intelligent, thoughtful and a true American. Mr. Thompson will be deeply missed by his family and the people of Fort Worth.

#### TRIBUTE TO F&M TRUST COMPANY

#### HON. BILL SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 13, 2005*

Mr. SHUSTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the F&M Trust Company serving both Franklin and Cumberland Counties in Pennsylvania. On February 5, 2006, the F&M Trust Company will celebrate its 100th anniversary.

In America, numerous organizations have sprouted and grown upon the foundation of service to others in order to ensure a progressive society, creating communities committed to generosity and equality. In December 1905, a group of businessmen, lawyers, farmers, doctors, and merchants met in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania to discuss the organization of a trust company. They wanted to form a corporation that would better serve the community by offering services such as personal guardianships, trusteeships, and title guarantees. One month later, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania granted the bank a charter under the name "The Farmers and Merchants Trust Company of Chambersburg, PA." By February 5, 1906, the bank opened its doors for the first time.

Throughout the years, banks have been challenged from the depths of the Great Depression through the ongoing consolidation of financial institutions. F&M Trust has met these challenges head on. As banks began to emerge from the depression, our communities witnessed great growth; along with it, the traditional way of banking was changing. The F&M Trust Company began to grow in existing markets and developed new markets by progressively integrating new with traditional products and services. By 1993, F&M Trust became the largest locally owned and managed community bank in Franklin County.

The F&M Trust Company's growth and success can be attributed to many individuals throughout our company's history. While the men who formed the company established the foundation for success, the directors, manage-

ment, and staff of F&M have been responsible for continuing their commitment to communities, customers, shareholders, and employees through the years.

For its commitment to the citizens of Franklin and Cumberland Counties throughout the last one hundred years, I am extremely grateful to the F&M Trust Company.

Happy Birthday F&M Trust Company, and best wishes for many more!

#### TRIBUTE TO CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE CONSUELO B. MARSHALL

#### HON. HOWARD L. BERMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 13, 2005*

Mr. BERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join in saluting my good friend Chief United States District Judge Consuelo B. Marshall. Judge Marshall has stepped down from her role as Chief Judge and was honored by the Los Angeles Chapter of the Federal Bar Association on December 6, 2005, for her lifetime commitment to public service.

Judge Marshall has devoted her distinguished career to the struggle for civil rights, justice and tolerance for all people. After service as Deputy City Attorney for the City of Los Angeles, and a period with the firm of Cochran & Atkins, she was appointed as a commissioner on the Los Angeles Superior Court where she was assigned to Juvenile Court, Family Court, and Civil law and Motions. In 1976, she became an Inglewood Municipal Court Judge. In 1977, she was elevated to Los Angeles Superior Court Judge and assigned to the criminal division. In 1980, President Jimmy Carter appointed her to the United States District Court for the Central District of California and in 2001, she became the first woman to serve as Chief Judge of that District—an outstanding achievement.

Judge Marshall is an exceptional woman whose accomplishments are legion. The Los Angeles County Bar Association recently named Judge Marshall the Outstanding Jurist of the Year. She is also the recipient of numerous other awards, including the Los Angeles County Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Award, the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Thomas Bradley Distinguished Citizen Award, the Women Lawyers Association Los Angeles Ernestine Stahlhut Award, the Langston Bar Association Bernard S. Jefferson Jurist of the Year Award, and many more, too numerous to mention.

In addition to her professional duties, Judge Marshall generously contributes her time and energy to many worthwhile organizations. She currently serves on the Los Angeles Board of Governors of the Association of Business Trial Lawyers. She served as a member of the Board of Directors for the Weingart Center, a non-profit facility providing health and social services for the homeless, and the Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles. She also served on the United States Sentencing Commission's Drug Violence Task Force which was created in an effort to understand the relationship between drugs and violence.

Judge Marshall was a well respected and admired faculty member of The Rutter Group and the Trial Advocacy Workshop at Harvard Law School and has lectured extensively in many parts of the world.

It is my distinct honor to salute Consuelo Marshall for the exemplary leadership she has shown as a Judge and for her outstanding contribution to the field of law.

#### HONORING JANE FAGERSTROM FOR HER YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 12

#### HON. BRIAN HIGGINS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 13, 2005*

Mr. HIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Jane Fagerstrom, a resident of Chautauqua County for her service to the twelfth legislative district in the Chautauqua County Legislature. Jane has had the opportunity to serve as a strong member of the legislature and an active member of the community.

The campaign trail is a difficult path to take. Any person with a dream may enter but only a few are able to reach the end. Ms. Fagerstrom traveled that path with her head held high and a smile on her face the entire way. I have no doubt that her kind demeanor left a lasting impression on the voters of district 12.

Jane is one of those people that leave a huge impact on her community. For many years her efforts to better Chautauqua County have left a lasting impression not only on the county itself but on its residents. Her face, voice, opinions and successes were a staple in the legislature. Our county and our residents are better for the undying work Ms. Fagerstrom did during her tenure.

A true testimony to Jane can be found in many areas of the county and in many people whose lives she touched. One doesn't have to look far to see what a strong work ethic can do.

Chautauqua County is blessed to have such strong individuals with a desire to make this county the wonderful place that we all know it can be. Jane is one of those people and that is why Mr. Speaker I rise to honor her today.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. JIM MARSHALL

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 13, 2005*

Mr. MARSHALL. Mr. Speaker, I intended to vote against the U.S.-Bahrain Free Trade Agreement and attempted to do so. Upon inquiring with the clerk why my vote was recorded as a "yes" instead of a "no", the clerk checked the electronic record and discovered that I had pressed the "no" button several times on the preceding vote. At no time did I intend to cast a "yes" vote on the agreement. To date, I have voted against every trade agreement that has come up while I have been in Congress, including the agreement with Bahrain.